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SUBJECT: CRIME CONTROL

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1. TREASURY REPRESENTATIVES WOULD BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS WITH MINISTER MATALON HIS REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATIVE SPECIALISTS IN THE FIELDS OF CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE, INCLUDING GUN CONTROL, AND CURRENCY AND FRAUD.

2. MATALON'S REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING AN EXPERIENCED U.S. CITIZEN NARCOTICS OFFICER TO WORK IN THE JCF CREATES SOME DIFFICULTY HERE IN VIEW OF THE DEA-GOJ DISCUSSIONS REGARDING A LARGE SCALE ANTI-NARCOTICS PROGRAM. DEA FEARS THAT THE OFFICER MIGHT BE A COMPLICATING AND POSSIBLY A NEGATIVE FACTOR IN THE JOINT EFFORT ENVISIONED AND HOPES THAT YOU CAN DISSUADE MATALON FROM HIRING SUCH A
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PERSON. THEY BELIEVE THAT ONCE THE PROGRAM IS OPERATIONAL

AND DEA OFFICERS ARE PRESENT IN JAMAICA AND WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE JCF, THE MINISTER WILL FIND THAT HE DOES NOT NEED AN AMERICAN NARCOTICS SPECIALIST IN THE CID. DEA SUGGESTS THAT JAMAICA'S ANTI-NARCOTICS EFFORT WOULD PROBABLY BE BETTER SERVED IN THE LONG RUN IF CAPABLE JAMAICANS COULD BE FOUND TO FILL SUCH IMPORTANT AND SENSITIVE POSITIONS. IN THIS REGARD DEA REQUESTS THAT MATALON BE REMINDED OF HIS COMMITMENT TO CUSACK TO PLACE QUALIFIED PERSONNEL IN THE FORTHCOMING DEA SCHOOL AT MONTEGO BAY.

3. IF THE MINISTER IS ADAMANT WITH REGARD TO HIS REQUEST AND IF THERE APPEARS TO BE NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE, DEA WILL TRY TO SUGGEST ONE OR MORE NAMES OF SUITABLE CANDIDATES. WE CONCUR IN THE DEA POSITION. BROWN

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